

HERITAGE IMPACT STATEMENT

Replacement of conservatory roof – Chain Farm, Chain Road, Slaithwaite, Huddersfield HD7 5TZ

Introduction

Chain Farm is located on Chain Road between Slaithwaite and Marsden. The Farm predominantly consists of a dwelling (the old farmhouse) and a former barn, which is sited at ninety degrees to the directly adjacent Chain Road. The dwelling has a conservatory lean-to extension with a mon-pitch roof to the western elevation.

Proposal

The proposed development includes the replacement of the existing conservatory roof (made of profiled polycarbonate sheets) with grey artificial slates and Conservation-style rooflights. No other alterations are proposed.

Listing description

SE OI SE MELTHAM ROAD Marsden 5/312 No 1 Chain and adjoining - barn

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1812 (Datestone). Part of terrace and barn at 90°. Hammer dressed stone. Quoins. Pitched tiles. Copings to gable on moulded footstones. Central stack with water tabling. 2 storeys and basement. South Elevation has: Ground floor; 2 entrances with stone surrounds and tie-stones (one part blocked). Adjoining single light - blocked. First floor; One 3-light stone mullioned window; One 2-light stone mullioned window. North elevation has: Ground floor; One 5-light stone mullioned window double chamfered; One 3-light stone mullioned window. First floor; One 3-light stone mullioned window. Single storey lean-to extension with tiled roof. Was Traveller's Rest public house until 1915; it was also formerly known as the Shoulder of Mutton. Barn: Joined to house by later infill. Late C18/early C19. Hammer dressed stone. Quoins. Pitched stone slate roof. East elevation has: Large doorway with segmental arched head, quoins and ties. Small oculus above.

Assessment

The above description refers to a single storey lean-to extension with a tiled roof. At some point in the past, the tiled roof has been replaced by profiled polycarbonate sheeting, presumably to let more light into the extension and also to reduce the weight on the existing roof trusses.

The proposed scheme will replace the polycarbonate roof with tiles and also includes a number of conservation-style rooflights to allow light into the extension. This replacement roof will have a positive impact on the appearance of the listed building and will also allow such improvements to be made without considerable other works, such as the replacement of roof trusses. As such, it is a proportionate and practical response to the owner's desire to respond to climate change by making the extension more energy efficient and to improve the visual aspects of the building.